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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08038.0032

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Takayuki NIUYA et al.) Group Art Unit: 2812
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Serial No.: 09/658,193) Examiner: Not yet assigned
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Filed: September 8, 2000)
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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
MANUFACTURING APPARATUS)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 5, insert:

--cross-reference to related application

This application is a Continuation of International Application No.

PCT/JP00/03544, filed June 1, 2000.--

Beginning on page 2 and continuing thru page 4, delete the entire section entitled

Disclosure of Invention and replace it with the following:

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